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### BETHEL CHURCH PETITIONS THE RETURN OF DR. A. J. CAREY.

The officers of Bethel Church are a unit in their desire for the return of the Rev. A. J. Carey, D. D., to the pastorate of that church for another year. To this end they have already drafted a strong petition to the Bishop and Conference praying for his re-appointment.

Dr. Carey was assigned to Bethel Church three years ago after closing a most successful administration of six years at Quinn Chapel. When he took charge of Bethel all was chaos and confusion. Mortgages long past due were in the courts, chattel mortgages were on everything, even the pulpit and the bible on the pulpit. The membership was scattered, discouraged and disorganized. But when the master hand of Dr. Carey took hold of the affairs of Bethel Church, and with the assistance of the faithful trustees and members of the church soon cleared away the chattel mortgages, paid off all the floating debts, cut the first mortgage half in two and placed Bethel Church on a firm basis and on absolutely safe ground.

No minister has come to Chicago in the last decade and accomplished as much in a financial way for Chicago Churches as has Dr. Carey. And not only that whenever the race has needed a fearless champion, a man willing to speak out and both dare and do in behalf of his race, Rev. Carey has been that champion. Chicago is unwilling to spare him and Bethel has the best wishes of the Community with them in their desire to retain the excellent services of Dr. Carey.—T. W. S.

### SOME CHANGES AMONG THE PREACHERS IN THE IOWA CONFERENCE.

The Iowa conference concluded its labors at Quinn Chapel Monday evening and the following were some of the most important changes made among the preachers by the conference. Rev. Fairbee Galesburg, Ill., transferred to Wayman Chapel, on the North Side. Rev. I. N. Daniels transferred from St. Stephens on the West Side to Galesburg and Rev. Wilson is the new pastor at St. Stephens. Rev. Moore is the new pastor at Trinity Mission on 18th street. Rev. W. S. Brooks was returned to Des Moines, Iowa. Rev. Horace S. Graves will hold the fort at St. Paul, Minn., for another year. Rev. J. C. Anderson, late pastor of Wayman Chapel, was held in space for the present.

Rev. George W. Gaines and H. H. Thompson were re-chosen Presiding Elders for St. Paul and the Chicago District.

This coming Monday the Illinois Conference begins at Bethel Church, and the sessions will be largely attended.

### REV. GEORGE W. GAINES HEADS THE DELEGATES FROM THE IOWA CONFERENCE TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE IN 1908.

Among the first business transacted by the Iowa Conference, which closed its labors at Quinn Chapel, Monday evening, was to elect delegates to the General Conference which meets at Norfolk, Va., in May 1908, and many of the followers of Rev. D. P. Roberts prayed and worked for him to head the delegation but their labors were in vain.

For Presiding Elder Rev. George W. Gaines was selected to head the delegation and Rev. Roberts and J. C. Anderson were chosen to grace his heels, and it is freely predicted that Rev. Gaines will be one of the first among the many candidates to receive the Bishop's mantle from the hands of the General Conference in 1908.

Messrs. Will Simmons, Will McCallough, Frank Jackson, Hugh Meritt and Wm. Carver after spending the summer at Pottsville, Mich., have returned home.

### MEETING OF THE NATIONAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The ninth annual session of the National Medical Association was recently held in Baltimore, Md. The business sessions were held in Metropolitan Hall, Orchard St. For the larger occasions, St. John's A. M. E. and the Zion Baptist churches were utilized. The meeting presented an inspiring photograph of the marvelous advancement of the Afro-American in the world of medicine, surgery, dentistry and pharmacy. There were in attendance three hundred representatives of these masterly sciences, hailing from every medical school of any consequence in this country.

The morning of the opening day after registering the delegates, was taken up in listening to the admirable annual address of President N. F. Mossell, of Philadelphia. Many good papers were read. Dr. Lofton's "Clinical Paper on Several Unique Cases of Bridge Work" was of unusual excellence. Interesting reports were heard indicating increased membership everywhere, and the establishment of Colored hospitals in nearly every city of considerable Negro population in the country.

During the evening at Union Baptist church, a cordial address of welcome was delivered by the Hon. J. Harry Mahool, Mayor of Baltimore who said there was no group of constructive workers, who had so much to do with human happiness, as the good doctors, and the good dentist and the good pharmacist—their mission was of the utmost importance to civilization and he was proud to welcome to the largest commercial city of the South and the sixth largest municipality of the nation, so splendid a body of men and women, as are embraced in the National Medical Association. Mayor Mahool bespoke for the Association an increasing degree of usefulness as the years go by, and bade all Godspeed. An appropriate response was made by Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, of Chicago. In the course of Dr. C. H. Shepard's address he referred to several noted physicians and surgeons, whose achievements have attracted the attention of both hemispheres, mentioning, particularly Dr. A. M. Curtis of Washington, D. C.; Dr. D. H. Williams and Dr. Geo. C. Hall, of Chicago. On Wednesday many splendid papers were read and several important surgical operations were performed at Provident Hospital under the direction of Dr. J. E. Hunter of Lexington, Ky.

By Thursday, Baltimore realized the fact that there was a very impressive meeting in her midst. The ladies in attendance, were beautifully gowned adding materially to the interest and aestheticism of the occasion and the doctors had on their best "togs" to match.

The report of Mrs. A. V. Gray, pharmacist, of Washington, D. C., evoked much favorable comment. The following officers were elected, after having a battle royal and when the smoke had cleared away, for the ensuing year: Dr. W. H. Wright, of Baltimore, president; Dr. Charles Robert, of New York, vice president; Dr. J. A. Kinney, of Tuskegee, secretary; Dr. I. A. Lawrence, of Elizabeth, N. J., assistant secretary; Dr. A. Wilberforce Williams, of Chicago, treasurer; Dr. L. H. Fenderson, Baltimore, corresponding dental secretary; Dr. Philip D. Lee, Milledgeville, Ga., corresponding paramedical secretary.

The place selected for the next meeting is New York, the last week in August, 1908.

The festivities of the occasion were brought to a close by a grand reception Thursday night, at Lyric Hall. Just seven years ago the National Medical Association numbered only 75 members; today it has a membership of 350. This shows a substantial growth in numbers and it has also increased its influence; its annual meetings are luminous landmarks in the history of the Afro-American people in the sciences which are doing so much in the alleviation of human suffering and the prolongation of human life.—E. R. M.

### TAKES WHITE MAN'S WIFE.

Zachariah Reeves, 23 years old, a Negro, was arrested last Saturday in a flat at 1254 Indiana avenue for eloping with the wife and 12-year-old daughter of Joseph Rebec, a white man, in Buchanan, Mich. Rebec aided the police in the search, having traced the couple here from Buchanan. Mrs. Rebec and her daughter are thought to be hiding somewhere on the South Side, and are being sought by the police. A trunk containing their clothing was found in the Reeves flat, who admitted he had eloped with the woman, and said it was their intention to get married if possible. He was held on a charge of aiding in the delinquency of a child. "I cannot understand why my wife ran away with the Negro," said Rebec, "as he has no personal charm which would explain her act in leaving me and a comfortable home."



DOCTOR A. WILBERFORCE WILLIAMS.

President of the Black Diamond Development Company, who was re-elected Treasurer of the National Medical Association, at its recent meeting in Baltimore, Md.

### GIRL BEREAVED BY HER MOTHER

Mabel Ross, seventeen years old, was arrested Wednesday by Detectives Howe and Quinn of the Detective Bureau after Albert Jones, thirty-seven years old, Colored, had been locked up at the Central Station on complaint of the girl's mother, who said the couple had been living at Twenty-fourth and Dearborn streets for a number of months.

When the girl was taken to the Harrison Street Annex her mother, Mrs. Blanche Marthe, 162 Irving avenue, faced her daughter in a dramatic meeting and said the girl would be disinherited by her and would lose an estate left to her by her wealthy grandfather. According to the police the girl was married a year ago to William Ross and then left him for the Colored man.—The Chicago American, Wednesday evening, Sept. 11.

This is another case wherein a white lady was more than willing to put herself on social equality with a Negro.

### FOR SWEET CHARITY.

Through the influence of Mesdames Dresden Bowman and Evans, of the King's Daughters Circle, a championship game of base ball has been arranged between "The Pekin Colts" and "The Teddy Bears" at Auburn Park Friday afternoon, Sept. 20, for the benefit of the Day Nursery at the Institutional Church. Mr. Rube Foster, the famous pitcher, will umpire and Mr. Luther Moore, the boy wonder, will be in the game.

### CHIPS.

Dr. Webb Curtis has returned to his home and practice in Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Ella Martin, 3134 Forest Ave., is visiting her brother in St. Paul, Minn.

Anne May Spencer, a Tuskegee graduate, is in charge of a new millinery store in Columbus, Ga.

There are over one hundred Negro business enterprises in two squares of an Indianapolis street.

Mr. Roscoe Evans, 3333 State St., leaves the city Saturday to spend the winter in the West.

Miss Ethel Bailey, 2436 Wabash Ave., is confined to her bed with pneumonia.

Mr. Richard Ball, 3256 Forest Ave., after an absence of two months from the city, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Galloway, 5216 Dearborn St., entertained a few friends at whist Tuesday eve.

Mr. John L. Fry of the Keystone Hotel and Robt. Motts are spending a few weeks at West Baden Springs.

John Bacon, a Colored man, of Sioux Falls, Ia., has decided to erect a hand some apartment house in Omaha, Neb.

Joe Wilson and J. Albert Adams, Colored men, have been chosen members of the City Council, Annapolis, Md.

There will be a grand celebration at Gary, Indiana, on September 22nd and excursions will be run from Chicago to Gary, Indiana on the occasion. Speeches will be made by Honorable Edward E. Morris, Hon. John G. Jones and Mr. James A. Scott.

Mr. Alfred Anderson of Provident Hospital, left the city Tuesday to spend six weeks in New York City and other Eastern points.

Mrs. L. M. Harris and Mr. Edward Jefferson, of New Orleans, La., are spending the week as guests of Mrs. M. Love, 6006 Center Ave.

Mr. Fred York of Springfield, Ill., after a pleasant visit of a week with his brother, Dr. York, 4711 State St., returned home Monday.

Mr. W. J. Allen, 6006 Center Ave., entertained at dinner Wednesday evening Mr. E. Jefferson and Mrs. L. M. Harris of New Orleans, La.

Mrs. Augusta Brown Hawkins, 464 Dearborn St., entertained Mr. E. S. Sprague of Portland, Oregon, at dinner, Tuesday evening.

Dr. Robert Harden and Mr. Richard Kelly have returned from their eastern trip, where they combined business and pleasure.

Mr. Amos Sayers age 67 died after a short spell of sickness, Sept. 9, at the residence of his son Benj. Sayers, 6322 Rhodes Ave. Mr. Sayers formerly lived in Phila., Penna.

Mr. J. M. Sims and daughter Mrs. S. M. Sims, of Washington, D. C., spent Sunday in Chicago the guest of Miss Lucy Lindsay, 4110 Calumet Ave.

Mr. James Hale Parker, Jr., has returned from his vacation in Southern Illinois and will make immediate preparations to enter the University of Illinois at Jacksonville.

Mrs. Florence Kemp, of Nashville, Tenn., and several other charming visitors to the city, spent Tuesday evening at whist, the guest of Mrs. Rosa Thompson Lively, 6618 Vernon Ave.

The Leland Giants are still cleaning up everything before them. Last Sunday they routed The Athletics by 9 to 3. This coming Sunday the "Giants" will go up against the South Chicago's at Auburn Park.

Mr. George Gray, one of Mr. Robt. Mott's right hand men, severed his connection with the Pekin Theater last week to resume his position as chief clerk for the Pennsylvania railroad, a position he has held for 17 years.

Mr. John Jones Wheeler formerly of Chicago, was married to Miss Louise Rebecca Bulkley of Lansingburgh, New York, Wednesday, Sept. 4. The bride and groom will make their home in Baltimore, Md., after September 7.

Mrs. Mary E. Fenwick, Oskaloosa, Iowa, mother of Dr. Louis Madison Fenwick, 6226 South Halsted street, this city, passed away at her Iowa home Sept. 3. She was in her 79th year, and she will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends.

J. W. Anderson, 79 East 32nd St., returned home Monday after spending a 10-days' vacation in Louisville, Ky., the guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Wheeler and is much delighted with the Southern hospitality that has been shown him. Stopping a day at French Lick Springs, Ind.

The Pekin Inn Cafe, 2704 State street, conducted by Charles Lett, is one of the finest places in the city to drop in to get something good to eat. Everything in connection with it is as clean and as neat as a new pin. The

waiters are polite and attentive, and the many guests which frequent the place at all hours of the day and night, never have any kick coming at the service they receive, and mine host's ett is always on hand to greet his many patrons, with the glad hand and a pleasant smile!

Miss Lucy Lindsay, 4110 Calumet Ave., entertained a small number of her friends at an informal musical Sunday afternoon from five to seven thirty. This marks the beginning of a series of like entertainments which will be given by our society folks throughout the coming fall and winter. The programme was contributed to by a number of the guests and a pleasant time was spent by all.

Last Tuesday while transacting some business on the North Side, it was our pleasure to take lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Dee Parker, 179 Lincoln Ave., who in company with her daughter, Miss Rena, returned home the latter part of last week from a month's visit to Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. Parker is at all times full of business, he has full charge of four large flat buildings on the North Side, collecting all the rents and turning it over to their owners. There are very few Afro-Americans in this city holding any more responsible positions than Mr. Parker and it is needless to say, that all the members of his family are warm friends of The Broad Ax.

### FOR SALE TWO FLAT BRICK BUILDING.

A two flat brick building for sale on Berkeley ave., near 41st street. Price \$4,000. Modern except heat \$1,000 to 1,200 cash required to make the deal. Balance easy payments or terms to suit purchaser. The flat will bring in \$40 to \$45 a month rent. This is a snap. Wake up and act quick before it is too late.

For further information call or address Julius F. Taylor, 5040 Armour ave.

### NOTICE FOR PARDON.

R. M. Mitchell will make application for the pardon of Joseph A. Kelley, who is now serving a one-year sentence in the Cook County Jail for the crime of larceny.

R. M. Mitchell, Counsel for applicant. 79 Clark St. Chicago, August 31, 1907.

### A Stinging Rebuke.

"The late Francis Murphy," says a Pittsburg man, "was perhaps the greatest temperance reformer our country has ever seen. Over 10,000,000 people, thanks to his labors, took the pledge."

"Mr. Murphy, a plain, sincere man, hated snobbishness hardly less than drunkenness. At a dinner here in Pittsburg I once heard him rebuke, with a little anecdote, a snobbish millionaire."

"He said there was a rich and snobbish Englishwoman living in the country. Her husband put himself up for a political place, and in order to help his campaign along the woman gave a garden party, to which every voter for miles around was invited."

"Among the humble guests was a very independent grocer. The grocer made himself quite at home. No duke's manner could have been easier and freer. Indeed the man's total lack of subservience angered his hostess extremely, so that in the end, thinking to take him down a peg, she said to him significantly:

"You know, Mr. Greens, in London shopkeepers don't go into the best society."

"The grocer looked at her and nodded and smiled."

"They don't here, either, ma'am," he said."

### EDITORIAL FLINGS.

For 5 cents you can ride all day in the New York subway—if you are that big a fool.—Baltimore Sun.

You can quote almost anything as from the Bible these days and not get caught at it.—Detroit Free Press.

Now they say that "laughing is a lost art in England." Does everybody read Punch over there?—New York Herald.

However foolish kissing may seem, the effort to regulate it on scientific principles is still more so.—Washington Star.

It has become impossible to eat or drink without colliding with a Harvey W. Wiley warning.—Charleston News and Courier.

While the national bureau of fisheries is trying most landably to solve the future of the lobster, the whole question does not come within its jurisdiction.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### NEW YORK CITY.

There is an average of 102 immigrants from Russia landing in New York city each day.

It is estimated that New York city will require the expenditure of \$4,000,000 for police and fire engine houses during the next three years.

Though it may seem strange, there is hardly to be found in New York city a trunk store that is not perpetually advertising a "special sale."

There are now fewer household goods in storage in New York city than in five years because there are more New Yorkers than ever going into suburban homes.—New York Herald.

## Selections

### MARCONI AT THE KEY.

Making Thunder and Lightning in His Paris Workshop.

The asphalted floor is covered with a carpet of rubber. The walls and ceilings are in hard wood. Strange instruments lie in each corner of the room. On a platform raised a yard above the floor, says a writer in the Paris Review, is a table with a transmitting key upon it and a large wooden lever also used in transmitting. Marconi is on the platform, his hand grasping the lever.

"Now," he says, "be careful. When I signal to the electrician 50,000 volts will enter the room. Stand behind me and touch nothing. Do not approach those coils, because the current will not wait for you to touch them. It will leap out upon you."

The signal given, a lever is pulled and a dull noise is heard. The needle of the voltmeter begins to move on the dial and to attain all sorts of high figures.

"Now," says Marconi, "I will communicate with the nearest station," and he presses the key of the transmitter.

There is a blinding blue flash, and at each pressure on the key sparks nearly two feet in length start from between the two silvery balls of the induction reel. One of these balls is in communication with the earth and the other with a rod. Each spark represents an impulse which is communicated from the battery to the rod, and from this rod the electrician sets in motion the vibrations of the ether called Hertzian waves.

These waves expand in space in every direction at a speed of 300,000 kilometers a second—that is to say, seven times the circumference of the earth. They are independent of wind and temperature and glide above the surface of the earth and sea, striking on their way the wireless stations that lie far beyond the horizon.

At each blinding flash that accompanies the movement of the key a noise like the report of a rifle is heard. It is an awe inspiring spectacle, the inventor calmly standing there pressing the key amid the lightning and the thunder. The operator is obliged to stuff his ears with wool. It appears, however, that recently Marconi has found means of doing away with the noise almost completely.

### A Big Suit Over a Small Sum.

A wealthy Frenchman recently bought a ticket at a Paris railway terminus, but missed the train he intended to take. While waiting for the next train, which left two hours later, he studied the company's tariff to pass away the time. He then found that he had been charged 14 francs 45 centimes, whereas as the proper fare was only 14 francs 42 centimes. He asked for his money back at the office, but without result. An interview with the station master was also unsuccessful. He afterward wrote a number of letters to the company, but received no answer. He then commenced an action to recover the 3 centimes. He won the action in the lower court, but the company took it to the appeal court, afterward to the court de cassation. Both courts dismissed the appeal, and the company was ordered to pay the plaintiff the 3 centimes. The cost to the company amounted to 8,250 francs, or \$1,650.—Railway and Engineering Review.

### Fishing For the Americans.

The question of early closing is causing much discussion in Vienna. At a recent meeting of the Commerce and Industry association the proposition to close retail stores at 7 o'clock in the evening was voted down. The chief speaker of the occasion said that to close a store at 7 o'clock would be ridiculous. He favored a resolution to the effect that dealers in food articles and household necessities be asked to close their places of business at 10 o'clock and that other places of business keep their doors open no later than 9 o'clock. A representative of the clerks' organization spoke of the early hours in the large cities of the United States and was answered by a storekeeper, who said, "It's all very well there, where the Americans are at home and can't get away, but here we have them only for a short time and must be ready for them."

### Cold Water Process of Canning.

Wash the fruit thoroughly, and in case of rhubarb cut into small pieces as for pies. If gooseberries are used, top and tail them. Pack into glass jars that have been sterilized, then fill the jars to overflowing with freshly drawn water. Put on the covers and let them stand overnight. By the next morning, says the Circle, you will find that the fruit has taken up more or less of the water and that there is quite a vacuum to be filled. Drain off the water and fill again with fresh cold water to overflowing, letting the water come with sufficient force to drive out any air. Then seal closely and put away for winter use.

### Record in Bricklaying.

In the erection of the office building for the house of representatives adjacent to the United States capitol at Washington an interesting fact has developed in connection with the brick masonry work. The first brick was laid at the site on the afternoon of July 5, 1905, and on July 8, 1906, there had been laid in the walls 11,000,000 bricks. This is believed to be the greatest number of bricks laid on any building in one year in the United States and probably in the world.—Building Magazine.